Flint, Michigen
December 24, 1928.

Mrs. Grace G. Hunting,
3339 Garfield Ave.
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Cousin:

I have yours of the 19th on my arrival here and give you some of the Markle history herewith. There is more at home.

Your mother will remember me as calling on her about three years ago and you may have a faint recollection of me and my sister Grace as visiting you on Sixth and a Half Street, many years ago.

As I state elsewhere, we believed you to be named after her.

Much of the information I send as Green and Pettingill history may be known to you and you may be able to fill out the blanks that I leave there. The extra "e" in the name and such items are always interesting to the genealogist and he never tores of dates and middle names either. Note my "h" on your mothers name also.

I have a great deal of the Bildad-William history and while all the evidence points to their identity as one man, we do not yet have positive evidence. That rests in Ontarion County, N. Y. where in 1812 a note given to William used that name and our William at Terre Haute is identified as the same man by the note in his possession at the time of his death and among the papers in the Clerks office.

All of Bildads sisters and brothers names are reproduced in the family of William and especially the name of his sisters husband Origen Brigham, who married Elinor, and the name of Williams grandson Origen Brigham Goules in Vigo. Bildads mother was Elinor, His sister bore the name and the daughter of William was the same.

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June 29. 1928.

Mrs. Kate Stevens,
7 Eleventh Street,
Lawton, Oklahoma.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:

In reply to your letter of June 26 in regard to Vigo County records, I do not happen to have any record of a fire in the Vigo County Court House, although of course there may have been one. We have no records of this nature in our files here in Indianapolis. I suggest, however, that you write to Mr. A. R. Markle, Box 506, Terre Haute, Indiana, who I am sure will be of great help to you and one of whose whose ancestors also came from New York about the same time as yours and helped lay out the city of Terre Haute.

Yours very truly.

Esther U. McNitt

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Kansas City, Mo.
Dec. 19-1928.

Mr. A. R. Markle,
Terre Haute, Indiana.

My Dear Mr. Markle,-

I first learned of you through my cousin, Mrs. Mary Rusk, formerly Miss Mary Pugh, who sent me a clipping from a Terre Haute paper concerning the first divorce in Vigo County. I was very glad to get it and read it to my mother, Mrs Alma Greene, who was a daughter of the Eleanor Soules of that divorce case. My mother, the widow of Niles Burke Greene is still living, and in her 90th year. She lives next door to me and keeps house with her son, Chauncey P. Greene. Mother was more than glad to hear me read the news item to her, as she had forgotten Gorbet's first name. I was in Terre Haute this last Spring for three days, the first trip there in fourteen years. I went to the Court House to see if I could find any records of my mother's father, Wm. Soules. We are trying to trace our family history back as far as possible. We have traced to a Bildad Soules, who lived in New York- we are under the impression that the Bildad Soules of N. Y. and William Soules of Indiana are the same person, and are trying

to find out any proof of it. My mother said her father, Wm. Soules, went to New Orleans in 1818 on a grain boat. He contracted yellow fever and was buried somewhere in the South — or down in Mississippi river — she doesn't know which. Do you know any thing of circumstances and can you put me in touch with any one or any place where I might possibly gain any information? We drove through to Indiana, and on our way home, we came through Vincennes. We went to the court House to see if I could find any records there of Wm. Soules. Mother said she had heard her mother speak of a farm they owned, and thought through that, I might find some transactions at Recorder of Deeds office, that could give the names of his heirs, and in that way, find out if it is the same Wm. Soules, we are trying to see if it was really Wm. or Bildad Soules. Thought perhaps, after he came to Indiana from New York, he might have called himself William. You know the name Bildad could be shortened Bill, as Bill is sometimes derived from William — thought there might be a chance of being the same. You see, the father of Eleanor Soules (of the divorce case) is the one we are trying so hard to locate, and if we can find any information of him; we can then trace our line back to the first Soules (George) who came to America on the May flower.

Through a great deal of trouble and expense, we have traced my father's side

of the house back to Thomas Green of Malden, Mass. Can you supply any data for me on the Markle side? Father's mother's name was Sarah Markle-Pettingill. That is all I have. Would you give me her date of birth, marriage and death? Her (Sarah Markle) father and mother's name, with dates of births, marriages and death. - Where are the Markle's buried? Can you help me? I would appreciate it very much. Mother wanted to know which Markle you were. She said she couldn't tell by your initials, A. R. Would appreciate it very much if could go back as far as possible in the Markle lineage, as I am and always have been very keenly interested in ~~geology~~ genealogy. Went to see Chester Fidler while in Terre Haute and he is trying to help us, but doesn't have but very little information. Now, Mr. Markle, I would liked to have met you; but you know there are so very many who have inter-married, and I came to Kansas City with my parents when I was seven years of age; so I haven't any idea as who might have even an idea of relationship. Any help you might give me would be more than appreciated.

Do you know where I might be able to locate Mrs. Walter Green's family +

their addresses? Or Mrs. Will Greene + Sherrill? I do not know where they are. Mrs. Charlie Greene's widow is remarried + lives in Ft. Worth, Texas. — Mrs. Niles Burke Greene, Jr. + her family live in Ft. Wayne, Indiana all of my father's children by his first wife (Caroline Brotherton) are dead. There are three of his children by his second wife (Alma Story) living. They are Harry C. Greene of Okla. City; Chauncey R. Greene living with his mother, and my self — my family consists of my self, husband and daughter, nearly four years of age. Trusting I may hear from you very soon, I beg to remain

Yours very Sincerely

Mrs. Grace Greene — Hunting.

3339 Garfield Ave

We all wish You and yours a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

September 21, 1928.

Mrs. Kate Stevens,
409 West 21st St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Madam:

Before the receipt of your late letter regarding William Soules, I was asked by C. L. Fidler of this city, an old schoolmate and frend, for some information on the same subject and sent him to the records as I was leaving the city the following day for a short time.

On my return and the receipt of yours of the tenth, I made a copy of the will as shown on the will record, which is of course not literally the will itself, spelling, punctuation and capitalization being perhaps the idea of the copier.

Today I have found the original will and will copy this for you as soon as I can get to it as Mr. Fidler also wants a copy and it will prove more interesting than the record.

It mentions: Charles William, Nealon, Mary, Elizabeth and Elenor, a grand son Henry as son of Moses, a grand daughter Mary as daughter of Moses, appoints Ezra Jones and Charles B. Modesitt as executors and is witnessed by Modesitt, Salem Pocock and John H. Mills. It is dated Sept. 7, 1820.

The executors report signed by Modesitt list as heirs: Moses, William Jr., Henry, Charles, Helen, Oliver A. and Eleanor Story (she late Soales), David and Polly Smith (she late Polly Soales), Eliza, (since married to Daniel Reeves and the widow, Jemima. Henry married Nov. 20, 1831, Jane Ingram; Mary m. David Smith, another Mary m. Thomas Stewart and another m Benjamin Bartlett. Modesitt always spells it Soales.

409 W. 21st. St.,
Oklahoma City, Okla.
September 10, 1928.

Mr. A.R. Markle,
Terra Haute,
Indiana.

Dear Sir:

I certainly thank you for the information you gave me regarding the Soule family of Terra Haute.

The man whose will you mentioned is my great-grandfather. I should like to obtain a copy of the will and also the date of the marriage of Henry Soules.

May I ask that you get some one to get this for me and let me know what they charge for their services.

I sent a small check to the Register of Deeds for information. The check was cashed but no information forthcoming.

Again thanking you, I am

Very Truly Yours,

Mrs. Kate Stevens.

September 29, 1928.

Mrs. Kate Stevens,
409 East 21st St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Mrs. Stevens:

I am enclosing a copy, literal as to spelling punctuation, capitalization and paging, of the will of William Souls.

Among the papersof his estate were found a note for 16 bu. of salt, dated Pompey, N. Y., made by James Clark to Richard Hickcock or bearer and one for $200.00 by Lyman Converse dated Caledonia, N. Y. Jan. 10, 1816 payable to William Souls or bearer. The Clark note bears date of August 29, 1812.

The Souls ancestor of Chester A. Fidlar of this city was Charles Souls who died about 1845 leaving as heirs: Louisa, Rachel, Jane, Oliver Perry, Helen and Harriet who married John Davis who became the grandmother of Fidlar.

We do not positively identify this Charles as the Charles William, son of William mentioned in the will and I would be glad to have all that you can give me of the family connection.

The tax list of 1828 shows William Souls as owner of the SE 13-12-9. This is twice the quantity given in the will and is a mile east of that mentioned and the 160 acres of SE 14-12-9 is listed as the property of John and Daniel Jenckes.

Oliver A. Story owned 80 acres in NW 28-12-8, nearly four miles away. Nealon, Henry and Charles are listed as owners of personal property only in 1828.

Daniel Reeves paid on personal only and there are three David Smiths, one of whom only owned real estate, it being in section 28-11-9.

I have mislaid your first letter in which you gave the references to Bildad Souls and his New York data but believe you said he came from Western New York which would agree with the notes dated Caledonia and Pompey.

Have you the marriage records showing the wife's name and was Jemima the first wife and mother of the sons and daughters given in the will?

I shall be glad to be of any further service here.

Yours truly,

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Capt. Moses Searle, son of Isaac, baptized Apr. 2, 1738. Pembroke Mass., was a resident of New Marlborough, Mass. for many years. His wife's name was Eleanor Williams. He left a military record for service during the Revolution equalled by few.

From the army records at Washington, D. C. we have extracted the following; "He was Lieu. in command of a Co. of minute men in Col. John Fellows regt. which marched Apr. 21. 1775 in response to the alarm of Apr. 19. 1775; service 17 days.; company served to May 1. 1775. also Capt. & Col. Fellows regt.; list of officers, dated Roxbury Camp, May 23rd. 1775; ordered in Provincial Congress at Watertown, June 7. 1775. that commission be delivered said officers; a receipt for the commissions is dated Camp at Roxbury, June 10, 1775. and signed by Col. Fellows. also Capt. Col. Fellows 8th regiment; return of officers for rations between May 28 1775 and July 3. 1775, dated Roxbury; also muster roll dated Aug. 1. 1775; engaged May 8, 1775; service 3 mths, a day, also company return dated Oct. 7. 1775. Also Capt. 6th Co. Col. Asa Whitcomb's regt; muster rolls dated ~~Ft.~~ Camp Ticonderoga Nov. 27. 1776 appointed Jan 1. 1776; reported discharged (also given resigned) Oct. 1, 1776 and was succeeded by Capt. Noah Allen. Two, if not three, of his sons were in the army during the war of the Revolution, as will appear presently.

Capt. Searle's wife released her dower in land conveyed by her husband in New Marlborough, Mass. Aug. 18 1779.

He conveyed land there at various times. Deeds of land from the Tax Collector of New Marlborough and "The 11000 acres" (now in Sandisfield) Dec. 3. 1782.

Moses Searle of Schoharie Creek, Montgomery Co, N. Y. conveyed

land in New Marlborough Dec. 29. 1786. Dec. 3. 1782 he received deeds of land from the Tax Collector and the 110 acres (now in Sandisfield) Mass.

Administration of his estate was granted to Isaac Soule in N. Y. 1796. Children of Moses & Eleanor Soule as follows

1 Chas. Williams, born Mar. 1, 1762; baptized Apr. 15, 1762. See forward.
2. Eleanor Soule born Apr. 18, 1764
3 Bildad Soule born Sept. 17, 1766 See forward.
4 Moses Soule born Apr. 10, 1769.
5 Isaac Soule born Oct. 4, 1771. See forward.
6. Mary Soule born Jan. 23, 1774.

Chas. Williams Soule, son of Moses & Eleanor Soule, born in New Marlborough (should be Pembroke) Mass. Mar. 1, 1762. baptized Apr 15 1772; married Dorothy Clark of Pembroke Apr. 28, 1790.

He enlisted in New Marlborough, Mass. May 8, 1775 or in Roxbury from the former town, and served as fifer under Capt. Noah Allen, Col. Fellows, for 8 mths. in Mass. militia.

Order for bounty coat or its equivalent in money dated Camp Dorchester, Nov. 1, 1775; also fifer Capt. Noah Allen's (late Capt. Soule's) company, Col. Asa Whitcomb's regt, muster roll dated Camp at Ticonderoga, Nov. 27, 1776, enlisted Nov. 15, 1775 also list of men raised to serve in the Continental Army, as returned by Capt. Oliver Lyman and Capt. Joseph Cook; residence New Marlborough; engaged for town of Northampton, joined Capt. Noah Allen's company, Col. Edward Wigglesworth's regt. mustered Apr. 19, 1777, term 3 yrs. He was fife major of Company Col. Calvin Smith's regt; in Continental Army pay accounts for service from Mar. 1, 1777 to Dec. 31, 1779; reported promoted to sergeant Apr. 1, 1779; muster rolls for Mar. and May dated at Valley Forge, also muster roll for June, 1778 dated Camp Greenwich and sworn to at Camp Stamford; also fifer same company and regiment.

He served under different commands till 1781 being at Providence part of the time.

He was in the Continental army from Jan. 1, 1780 to Dec. 21, 1781 in the 6th regt.

He was commissioned Ensign Apr. 2. 1781. The

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original document being on file with his pension application at Washington. in which he was styled "Charles Doule, Gentleman," and signed by His Excellency Thos. McKean Esq. Pres. of Congress of the U. S. of Amer. at Phila. the 18th of Oct. 1781. and in the 6th year of our independence. Endorsed on the back "Headquarters Newburg, Dec. 4, 1782. I hereby certify that Ensign Doule has obtained permission to resign his commission in the Army of the U. S. By command of His Excellency C. D. Humphreys. Aid de Camp."

In his description list taken in 1781. his age was 19 stature 5 ft. 8 in. complexion dark; eyes blue. res. New Marlborough. Sergeant - Enlisted during the war.

Applied for a pension Mar. 18, 1818. certificate granted Apr. 13, 1819. when he resided at Scott, Cortland Co. N. Y.

Elenor. Doule; eldest daughter of Moses & Eleanor Doule born in Pembroke Apr. 18, 1764. was married to Origen Brigham, son of Francis & Phoebe (Ward) Brigham who was a physician and surgeon in the army in the Revolution and died in Schoharie, N. Y. without issue.

Bildad Doule, son of Moses & Eleanor Williams Doule. born in New Marlborough or Pembroke Mass. (It is Pembroke) Sept. 17, 1766. He was also a soldier during the Rev. having enlisted when a mere lad.

He was a private in Capt. Enos Porter's company, Col. Jacob Gerrish's regt.; guards: enlisted July 7, 1778. discharged Nov. 18, 1778; service 4 mths. 14 days. detached from Berkshire Co. Militia to guard stores at Springfield for 6 mths from July 1, 1778. He was a

drummer boy in Capt. John Collins' Co. Col. John Ashley's (Berkshire) regt.; entered service July 19, 1779; discharged Aug. 27, 1779. service 1 month 9 days: company marched to Conn. under command of Lieu. Col. Powell. - Also pay roll for 6 months men raised by the town of New Marlborough for service in the Continental Army during 1780, marched to camp July 3. 1780; discharged Dec. 3, 1780 service 5 months 6 days. travel 92 mi. included.

In a return made by Brig. Gen. Patterson, he was reported to have passed muster, dated Camp Totoway Oct. 25. 1780. For children see forward. (No children given)

Children of Chas. Williams Soule + wives. (Has two) Dorothy Clark Chloe.

1 Chas. Williams Soule son born in Pembroke Mass 1792.

1 Sally Ann. m. Aaron Bucklin.
2. Mary Soule m. Anthony Roseboom
3 1 Henry Davis Roseboom
2 Sephilla Sims "
3 Helen Augusta "
4. Chas. Henry.
5. Eugene
6 Linda Mary
7 Jarvis D.
8 Carrie S.

3- Barney Soule m. Anna Creamer at Canajoharie N.Y. had Julia, [illegible], William Barney. Harriet John. Abigail. Margaret + David.

4. Adele Soule married Wm D. Clark had Chas in Mar Lansing. Wm Henry m. Elias Hill. Helen Louise m. Anthony Jacobs. Mary Ellen in San. Diego. James Kent Clark. 8

5. Silas Adsit. Soule

6. Eleanor Maria dies in infancy.

7. Eleanor Maria Soule m Edward Truman
1 Fred. A Truman
2. Augusta
3 Eleanor Juliet Truman m. Frank Stearns lives at Dixon Ills.
8 Dr. James Kent Soule + Belvidere. Ills.
9. Edwin Rathbun Soule.
10 Vrailty Ann and Louise, Eleanor + Edward [illegible]

2. Erastus H. Soule. left for S. A. about 1814. Never heard of.

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Each yoke & two horses Worth seventy dollars Each
to be Equally devided between Them. - - - - -
I give to my two daughters Mary. & Elisabeth Souls
forty acres of land, it being the balance of the fa
rm I now live on as before described in C W. Souls
Legacie - - - all the horned cattle hog & household furni
ture, With the beds & beding. Except What will be here
after Excepted, to be Equally devided between them
I give & bequeath to my daughter Eleanor Souls one
milch cow & heifer calf with the bed & beding that
is now called hers, with one set teacups & saucers, six
table plates, six small plates, one teapot sugar bowl
& Cream Jug, six knives & forks, six table spoons
six teaspoons, one bay mare colt hind feet White, white
strip in the forehead, one side saddle one bake kettle ~~&~~ bake
pan frying pan ~~kettle~~ tea kettle & spider - - - - - -
I further give & devise to my daughter Elisabeth Souls twenty
dollars per year, for five years, to be paid by Charles
William & Nealon Souls, after my decease - - - -
I give and devise to my Grandson Henry Souls son
of Moses Souls so soon as he is twenty one years of age
one yoke of steers, worth ten dollars, to be paid by Cha
rles William & Nealon Souls - - - - - - -
I give & devise to my Grand daughter Mary Souls
daughter of Moses Souls one heifer calf worth five
dollars when she shall arrive to the age of Eighteen
years old to

In the name of God, Amen, I William Souls, Senior, of Vego County in the State of Indiana, being sick & Weak in body but of Sound mind an memory, Considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being Desirous to settle my Worldly affairs & thereby be the better prepared to leave this World when it shall please God to call me hence, do therefore make & publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say - - - - - - - - - - -

First & principally, I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God, & my body to the Earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my Execu tors hereinafter named, & after my debts & Funeral Charges are paid, & my wifes thirds taken out, I devise & bequeath as follows, to my Eldest son Charles William Souls, twenty acres of Land, on the farm I now live on, known to be the south half of the Southeast quarter of section, fourteen, in Town twelve North of Range nine West - - - - - - - - -

I give & devise to my son Nealon Souls, twenty acres of Land, to be taken off of the half quarter as above described - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

I further give & bequeath, Charles William & Nealon Souls, my sons, all my farming Utensils together with two yoke of young cattle Worth twenty five Dollars - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Each

to be paid by Charles William & Nelson Souls

And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my two friends Charles B. Modesitt & Ezra Jones my sole Executors, of this my last will & Testament revoking and annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this and none other, to be my last will & testament - - - - -

In testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal, this seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred & twenty

William Souls (Seal)

Signed sealed published & declared by Wm. William Souls the above named Testator as and for his last will and Testament in presence of us, who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto

Salem Dodck
John M Mills
Chs B. Modesitt

Among his Paper were found note of James Clark to Richard Hickock - or bearer dated at Pompey N.Y. Aug 20. 1812.

note Lyman Cowgill ~~Good~~ to Wm Soul or bearer for $200.00 dated Caledonia N.Y Jan. 10, 1816.

Heirs of Charles Soules: Harriet (m. John Klavis), Louisa, Rachel Jane, Oliver Perry, Helen (children of Charles).

2018 Colcord Ave.
Waco. Texas.
Nov. 14, 1925

Mr. A. R. Markle.
Terra Haute,
Ind. Dear sir. Your letter forwarded to me here. Kindly inform me what I owe you or the stenographer for the copy of the mill.

I certainly appreciate the interest you have taken in the Soule history and the information you have given me. Regarding Mr. Fidler's ancestor it is Chas. William I am sure else my mother would have mentioned two Charles' which she never did. Neither did Mrs. Alma Green, daughter of Eleanor of the mill, who lives in Kansas City and is 89 yrs. of age.

Mrs. Green and my Aunt who is 84 yrs. old both lists the children of William Sr. as Charles. William, Moses, Henry, Mary, Eleanor and Eliza. I have checked up on what has been sent me from Terra Haute and it is correct.

You mention another piece of land taxed in 1825. I believe this belonged to Wm Sr. Now, if this piece could be traced back it might be he entered it as bounty land for services in the Rev. War. I notice in the State History that some soldiers did. If he did, he had to enter it in the name he used when a soldier. I have written Washington. There is no record of William.

I have heard my mother and uncle speak of "bounty land" long ago when I was a child. And it had something to do with land about Terra Haute. I remembered it because it was a new kind of land to me then.

Since recalling what was said of her people I remember it still.

I am enclosing what is said in the Doyle History about the branch to which I think Williams Sr. belongs.

You will notice the name of a brother of Bildad named Charles Williams. Can it be the name in the will is Chas. Williams?

Then you will notice the name of Bildad's sister Eleanor's husband is Origen Brigham. The name of Origen Doyle.

And Miss Pugh wrote me William Sr. was a drummer boy in the Rev. No other Doyle in this history occupied such a place.

Also notice in Chas. Williams' descendants the name Eleanor is repeated often, just as it is in William Sr. of Terra Haute. It is in no other family.

Eleanor, Wm's daughter, has a granddaughter named Eleanor. and Chas. had a daughter also named Eleanor.

Meanwhile, I have written a genealogist asking her to try to solve it.

The entire situation resolves itself into the discovery of the name of Bildad's wife & children, or the date of William's birth or the fact that William Sr. enlisted and or received bounty land as a Revolutionary soldier. Hence he would use the name Bildad.

Again thanking you I am

Yours truly.

Mrs. Kate Stivers.

P. S - I am visiting here and shall be for some time. Therefore this will be my address.

Mrs. S.

No Carbon of second page.

November 20, 1928.

Mrs. Kate Stevens,
2018 Colcord Ave
Waco, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Stevens:

I have yours of the 14th with such a lot of Souls information and am only too sorry to be able to give so little in return.

I know Mrs. Green as a member of the Harkle genealogy, her husband being Miles Burk Green, who died Dec. 20, 1902 and as to the mention of "bounty land", when the expression is used in this locality, it usually means the entries made by the so-called Canadians, under the Act of March 5, 1816 granting land in the Harrison Purchase to "Canadian Volunteers", defined as those residents of Canada at the outbreak of the War of 1812, who served in the army of the U. S. and who in recompense for their forfeited estates in Canada were granted lands here.

The leader of these was Abraham Harkle, my great grandfather, who presented in Congress the "Memorial of Abraham Harkle, Gideon Frisbee and others" out of which grew the act. They entered in this locality about 30,000 acres and among the entries was this particular SE quarter of 14 in 12-9, which with the SE 13 in 12-9 was entered September 4, 1816 by Peter Garber.

This Peter Garber was the first husband of Elenor Sole, who on the assembling of the first session of our Vigo County Circuit Court filed suit for divorce from him and evidently took back her maiden name for at her marriage to Oliver Story, she is given as Elenor Soles.

As a matter of some interest to you, I am enclosing a newspaper clipping of the divorce case and as has happened in only too many cases in your research, again the name of her father is given "----- Sole". It is possible that she was uncertain of the spelling, that it was Bildad and her attorney thought that not correct and intending to fill it in later on further information left ot blank in the record and complaint.

How the quarter section came to Soles, is as yet not clear as our records start with 1818, Vigo being organized from the older by a year county of Sullivan and the records of early Sullivan were burned about 1845 or so.

There is a possibility that Garber transferred to Soles after the arrival of the latter from New York and as a part of the results of the divorce granted Elenor, but I have not yet traced any such transfer although I still have hopes.

2018 Colcord Ave.
Waco, Tex.
Nov. 25 1928

Mr. A. R. Markle
Terra Haute, Ind.

Dear Sir.- I am in receipt of your letter with the enclosed clipping. This was a bit of news not handed down to me, but was quite interesting and, probably could have been more so, had the father's name been given.

From it I get two points. One is the name Sole, showing that the original name was Soule, which really didn't need verifying but am pleased to know it. and the other was the fact that the father lived in Ontario Co. This also was news to me, as Mrs. Green told me they lived in Schoharie and Onondago Co. but didn't mention Ontario Co. I rather think they were there but a short time.

In this history it is stated that a son of Charles Williams 2nd and grandson of Chas. Williams, supposed to be the brother of Wm. Sr. of Terra Haute, and was the brother of Bildad, married a lady named Mary Maxwell of Geneva, which is in Ontario Co.

And one of the notes Wm Sr. gave or rather held among his assets according to what Sir received from Terra Haute was dated Caledonia which is in Livingston Co. N.Y. adjoining Ontario. This note was dated Jan. 10. 1816. So he must have been there then

The other note mentioned among his assets was one to Clark dated Pompey, Aug. 29. 1812. as Wm Sr. must have been in Onondago Co. at that time

Rev. Ridon has mentioned in his History all Soules that the census of various years had recorded and I find a William Soules 2 males Pompey Town in the 1800 census. This William of course may have been Wm Sr. - but he

had other children then but had left his family and remaining sons in Schoharie Co. because Eleanor was born there in 1801.

So this Wm Sr. of Terra Haute was calling himself Wm as early as 1800.

Since the administration or rather the farm was sold to Jeuckes in 1925 I am wondering if the grandson, Harvey had become of age - also the granddaughter. If so everything is all wrong because that would make Wm Sr. married away back in 1883 taking it for granted Moses was 21 at least when his son, Harvey was born.

And the mother, Jemima was not born till 1773 so I guess they were not of age yet and since Modesitt asked to be relieved of his duty as executor in 1831 it seems the administration was not yet closed. If we could even get the age of Chas. William of Terra Haute it might assist me in locating the marriage place of Wm Sr. or rather the time of his marriage.

He was not the head of a family it seems in 1790 in Mass. nor N.Y. I rather think in 1790 he was with the Origen Brigham's because Origen had two males in his family and he had no children.

If so he may have been married at New Marlboro but I've a letter from N. Marlboro stating they have no record of a marriage of either Bildad or Wm but had the birth record of Bildad! Why can't those Dates of Terra Haute find something telling of his age?

Isn't there any descendants of Polly Smith in Terra Haute? A daughter would keep an old Bible when a son would not. And the other daughter Eliza was childless but it is possible she might have left a Bible.

Now once I was in Terra Haute and saw a sort of crazy fellow named Moses Dodes, son of Moses, son of Wm Sr. He was the husband of a hunchback woman who was a step

daughter of this Eliza, dau. of Mr Sr. This woman looked to be about in forties. This was in 1881 as far as I recall. Can it be possible she is living? She fell heir to this Eliza's property I heard. and maybe has a Bible. Her maiden name was Jane Kittle. This is just a drawn. to catch on as a drowning person.

Meanwhile I have written a lady in California who was recommended to me by a Mrs. T. Hammond of Fonda, Montgomery Co. N. Y. Mrs. Hammond. This lady is Helen Louise Clark's daughter and gr. gr. granddaughter of Charles Williams. She secured her ~~M~~ missing dates &c from this Mrs. Folger who is a dear friend of hers and a geneologist. So this Mr. Folger is perfectly familiar with the Soules history and especially our branch or rather our supposed branch. Capt Moses descendants and ancestors back to Geo. of the Mayflower.

I had a letter yesterday from her. She has had death in her family and it will be a few days before I hear anything regarding her ability to find the names of Bildad's wife & children.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that Eleanor & Garber came to Ind. in 1816. and her father and his family must have come with them. since 1816 was the date Mrs. Green gave me as the time he came. Also that the sick opening that land was Mar. 5- 1816 and the note was Jan. 10. 1816.

Was Garber allowed more than a quarter section? It is stated in this clipping that Eleanor married Garber in 1814. The petition for divorce is dated Apr. 28 1818. She states further on in the petition that about two yrs. ago she and her husband came to Ind. thus it was. 1816 when they came.

You stated in a former letter that this quarter in S. E 13-12-9 was leased to Williams Soules in 1825 but in this last letter you state it was sold in 20 acre pieces or at least 80 acres was to Henry. Moses. William & Eleanor m 1820 Probably Wm. Jr. got hold of it and he owned it in 1825. when it was taken but

that part doesn't concern us. If you have found positively that both quarters were entitled by Father I guess it's impossible to prove Wm. Sr. got any land for services in the Rev. and thereby obtained it in the name he had as a soldier. Bildad Soule.

At any rate we Soule descendants can scan the years back to George of the Mayflower and imagine the courage our ancestor had to venture into a new world, surrounded by all sorts of dangers and feel grateful that he was not only physically courageous but spiritually courageous also and as we give thanks on this Thanksgiving Day we might be justified in taking a little pride that our American forefather was one of the Pilgrim fathers.

I enclose check for your services with thanks for same and trust that sometime we'll find Bildad.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. Kate Stevens.

Kansas City, Mo.
Sept. 9-1929.

My Dear Mr. Markle, —

Enclosed you will find my mother's deposition pertaining to the information you wanted. As you will notice, there is a slight change in it — to-wit: — she said her grand-father was buried in New Orleans, not in the Mississippi river, as I understood. I trust this will reach you in plenty of time to take with you to Washington, D. C. — and that it will help us to be able to get past Bildad Soule. Are you going to Washington, D. C. soon?

I am very anxious to try & get this settled so I can go into the D.A.R. I certainly will appreciate your help so much, - and doubly so, as you are as interested as I am, being related & not a stranger to the family, which gives it a more value to us all.

We are home again, & found every one fairly well. My brother Harry, has gone back to his home in Oklahoma City. Mother is fairly well, & as she says, she never feels entirely well at any time, but I think it is wonderful she is so active at her age (90 years), and for that reason, it is hard for us to realize. she is as old as she is.

I want you to know

again, how much I appreciated your kindness & courtesy to us, while in Terre Haute.

I trust you & Mrs. Markle had a pleasant trip to Chicago, & hope you may be passing through Kansas City again; will be glad to see you both.

Again, thanking you for any help you can give me, & help the registrar of the D.A.R. may be able to give,

I beg to remain

Very sincerely Yours,
Grace E. Hunting

3339 Garfield Ave.

Kansas City, Mo.
June 24, 1938.

Mrs. Grace E. Hunting
[illegible] Canfield,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mrs. Hunting:

I have gotten together a great deal more of the story of William Sole and his descendants but nothing that definitely proves his identity with Hildad except by inference or that is positively and completely satisfactory to the Registrar General of the D. A. R.

Will you help out with a list of the descendants of Elinor and Oliver after the following form as far as you can?

Elinor Soule m. 1814 Peter Garber (no issue)
1801-1881 m. Oliver Story

Issue of Oliver and Elinor

Here give in order the children with dates of birth death, marriage and name of husband and wife with their dates as far as you can.

Note particularly names that have recurred in the family such as Elinor, Mary, Elizabeth, Jemima, Hopes, William, Healon, Harriet, etc. in many cases as middle names.

See if your mother can remember her uncles and aunts as having middle names because of the name William having named his eldest son Charles William and his later being named William while there seems to have been a Charles also in the same family.

Hildad was a son of Elinor Williams and his son would have been very logically named Charles Williams while William in his will names his son Charles William without the final "s".

I have almost my whole family at the Admiral Arms at Troost and Admiral Boulevard for a few days and will try to get to see your mother while we are here but am writing you in case I do not get to do so.

Yours truly,

December 25, 1933.

Mrs. Kate Stevens,
1025 West 19th St.
Oklahoma City. Okla.

My Dear Mrs. Stevens:

I should have answered yours of September 17th sooner but a peculiar developement in the line of the old Soules family came up and I have waited for further word from it.

Some time in August a young man in New York City wrote the Fairbanks Library here for anything they had on the family of David and Mary Smith and later when he came on for research he called me for the location of another David Smith's grave.

It did not occur to me to ask his name or how he had gotten in touch with me until some time after when the Librarian told me that he was a descendant of the Mary Soules, daughter of Moses.

He had then gone home and left no name or address but later wrote the Library for something more and in the absence of the Librarian, one of the girls asked Mrs. Markle for the name of a descendant who might know something on the family history.

From my files Mrs. Markle gave him your name and address and when I later called the Librarian, his letter had been thrown away, no carbon of their reply kept and nothing was known of him except a vague remembrance that his name was Sellman and his home New York.

Hoping to hear from himagain, the whole staff is lying in wait for more on him so as to rectify the former omission but unless he has written you there seems to be a slim chance of our getting in touch with him. As I have it, he was left an orphan at an early age and is now trying to trace his family, has some means, an earnest idea of methods and seems to be a likely help to us in our efforts to identify old Bildad with William.

Of course he is off as to the identity of Mary Smith and Mary Stewart, but the fact that he wants to know is encouraging, the most of the descendants here seem to care little or nothing.

I am trying to interest some of them in raising a fund to consolidate all that is in the local records on the Soules and get in shape to mimeograph for submission to the local families and others interested so that we may know what is needed further, then if enough are interested, to make further search in Montgomery County, N. Y. Ten Dollars will do the first job but it will need a hundred to cover the rest. Spread over twenty or so it is very little. I have a Sowle line at Fonda, no doubt the same.

Yours truly,

1025 West 19th St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.
Sept. 17, 1933

Mr. A. R. Markle.
Terra Haute.
Ind.

Dear Mr. Markle:

Mrs. Hunting has written me that you asked her for my address, and supposing you have some data on the Soules' family history at Terra Haute and possibly Bildad, I am sending it.

Since our correspondence I have been trying to establish the identity of William Sr. of Terra Haute as Bildad Soule of N. Y. and Mass. So far I've failed.

I have visited the Congressional Library, the N. Y.

City Library, Texas State, Okla State and many minor ones.

I found the Soule History that I have in the two first named Libraries.

If we could find out who Bildad Soule married and the names of his children, if he was William these should correspond to Jemima and her children who lived at Terra Haute.

Mr. Ridlon wrote me he thought they were the same. He had this record from a lady in N. Y. Her failed to continue Bildad's record although he says "See forward" indicating he had a family.

Thus, too, if William Sr.'s age and birthplace could be found at Terra Haute ~~could be found~~ it should be the same as Bildad's.

The genealogist in whose hands

I placed this in 1/29 wrote me twice. I think she has passed away.

She established the line of Charles Williams', Bildad's brother, and a descendant recommended her to me.

In going over your correspondence I find a list of names and you asked me if I could identify them. I do not remember whether I did or not and I shall do so now.

Meadow m. Rebecca Sherman. This was Williams son. He went to Texas and was heard of but once. mentioned in the will.

Lucy M. Hart Montgomery. This was Wm Jr's daughter, a sister to Origen S. & Mary Pugh.

Harriet M. John Davis. daughter of Mary McClaflin Soules, wife of Charles and ancestor of Mr. Fiddler.

Fidelia m. Oscar N. Miller - dau. of Wm Jr. sister of Origen.

Laura Ann. m. Wm H Lints, dau. of Henry.

Jane m. J. Lints mother of L.A. and wife of Henry.

Mary. m. David Smith – dau. of Wm Sr. and in the will.
Eleja. m. Daniel Reeves dau. of Wm Sr.
Eleanor m. O. A. Story – " " " " "
Mary m. Thomas Stewart. – This is Moses' Soules dau. mentioned in the will of Wm Sr.
Mary M. Benj. Bartlett – This is wife of Chas. Soules ancestor of Mr. Fidler

I was sorry to hear of Mr. Fidler's death.

It seems so strange to me that the Soules family at Terra Haute know so little of their history. Lucy Pugh should be able to give some information I fancy in conversation; by letter she gave me very little.

She said her mother told her that her gr. grand father (that is William Sr.) was a drummer boy in the Rev. There is no record of him as William, either

1025 N. 19
Oklahoma City Okla
Jan. 8, 1934

Dear Mr. Markle:

Mrs. John Dellman wrote me one letter in which he stated he might be of help in tracing our line to Geo. Soule, in New York State.

I answered his letter and gave him my theory as to the identity of William Sr. of Terra Haute as Bildad of N.Y.

Also gave him as much information as I had from N.Y. I have not heard from him since, although it has been about two months since I received his communication.

His address is Horace Mann Dormitory, Riverdale-on-Hudson, New York

The family at Terra Haute, with a few exceptions, seem to have no interest in this matter, and unless there may be some one there who can give the birthplace of William Sr. and his birth date and the date of his marriage to Jemima Butler, there is no use in searching farther at Terra Haute.

Do you suppose an "ad" asking for this information and offering a reward of $5.00 would bring results?

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in the N.Y. or Mass. record of "Soldiers and Sailors of the Rev." but Bildad is listed as a drummer boy.

I am wondering who is the oldest living Doules in Terra Haute. Do you know?

I have come to the conclusion that only some one at Terra Haute or Fonda, N.Y. can solve this problem.

Fonda, Montgomery Co. has the administration papers of Moses, Jacob & Bildad, and supposed Jacob & William Sr.

Excuse my long letter.

Yours sincerely.
Mrs. Kate Bluteau.

Your list.

Healon m Rebecca Sherman. Apr 8, 1827 (This must be Wm Sr's son.)

✓ Lucy m. Hark Montgomery May 13. 1892. (Dau. of Wm Jr)

✓ Harriet m. John Davis June 1. 1845 (dau. of Chas. + Mary)

✓ Fidelia m, Isaac N. Miller (dau. of Wm. Jr)

✓ Laura Ann. m. Wm Lintz (dau. Henry) son of Wm Sr.

✓ Jane m. John Lintz (Widow of Henry) " " " "

Mary m. David Smith (dau. of Wm Sr.).

✓ Eliza m. Dan. Reeves (dau. of Wm Sr.

✓ Eleanor m. Oliver Story Apr 5. 1821 (dau. of Wm Sr.)

Mary m. Thos. Stewart (This may be Moses dau. granddaughter of Wm Sr.

✓ Mary m. Benj. Bartlett (widow of Chas. Sr grandmother of Mrs. Fidler.

✓ I identify all of the above by having heard them except Mary who married Stewart.

I call your attention to the fact that Lucy Pugh not knowing anything of Bildad's record told me her mother had often said her grandfather was a drummer in the Rev. and that her Uncle Origen's name was Oregen Brigham Bates named for some of the Bates family.

Thanking you for the bill and requesting
your charge for securing name for me
and hoping some one may find Bildad
I am truly Yours.
Mrs. Kate Sledge.

GEN.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF
FIFTH AVENUE & 42ND STREET

New York, January 24, 1941

Mr. A. R. Markle
P. O. Box 506
Terre Haute, Indiana

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 13:

We have examined many references and do not find anything which says that the phrase "Go West Young Man" was originated by John B. L. Soule. We have consulted many books on Horace Greeley, as well as contacted the Herald Tribune and the Notes and Queries of the New York Times, but with no result. We did not search the Tribune page by page, as that would take much more time than we can spend on one request.

The Wabash Express (weekly edition) for April-Dec., 1851 is to be found in the Library of Congress, and the daily edition of the same title from Aug. 25 to Oct. 1851 is in the Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, according to the Union List of Newspapers.

Very truly yours,

Paul North Rice

Paul North Rice
Chief of the Reference Department

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New York, February 19, 1941

Mr. A. R. Markle
P. O. Box 506
Terre Haute, Indiana

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of February 11:

We have checked again in Bartlett for 1937 and 1939, Benham, Stevenson, the Dictionary of American Biography, and the public catalogue for Soule, but we were unable to find any more information than we were able to give you in our letter of January 24th. We have also checked other sources, but we were unable to uncover the editorial you wanted.

In the Dictionary of American Biography sketch of Horace Greeley we find - "Some of his phrases like 'Go West, young man' were universally current."

Very truly yours,

Paul North Rice

Paul North Rice
Chief of the Reference Department

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February 17, 1941.

Illinois State Historical Library,
Reference Department,
Springfield, Illinois.

Dear Librarian:

John Babson Lane Soule (1815-1891) was Editor of the Wabash Express from about August, 1851 until he assumed the editorship and possibly the ownership of the Courier at Charleston, Illinois, from which he returned to the Express in December, 1853. He left the latter to resume publication of the Courier in late June, 1854.

Horace Greeley once attributed to him, the famous expression: "Go West Young Man." The New York Tribune republished the editorial and gave Soule credit for it, but I am unable to find either article and to reduce the amount of search required, I need the date at which Soule went to Charleston.

The Vigo County Collegiate Institute opened in the County Seminary here early in 1848 and Soule was Professor of Greek. Possibly you would be interested in him, not only as an editor but as an educator in your State.

I will appreciate any help you can give me.

Yours truly,

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ONE LIBRARY SQUARE
TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA 47807

P.O. Box 506, Terre Haute, Ind.
July 11, 1941.

Postmaster,
Hallowell, Maine.

Dear Sir:

I am in search of material on the life and family of John Babson Lane Soule whose wife was Mary L., the daughter of the Rev. Ethan Stevens of your town.

She died here June 13, 1848, while he was Professor of Greek and other subjects in the Vigo Collegiate Institute.

In 1851 he was editor of the Wabash Express, left here for the Charleston, (Illinois) Courier and after returning here as owner, with his brother Moses, of the Express, sold it and again went to Charleston.

It was while with the Express in 1851, that he coined the phrase "Go west, young man," so often attributed to Horace Greeley and the New York Tribune.

Can you put me in touch with anyone who has information on him?

Yours truly,

A. R. Markle.

HALLOWELL, MAINE

JUL 23 1941

Would suggest that you write
Miss Jessica J. Haskell
33 Academy St.,
Hallowell, Me.

We are unable to furnish any information
in regard to the points mentioned
Miss Haskell is well up on the History of
Hallowell and is a Teacher in our High School.

Respectfully

William H. Albee, P. M.
GJ.

THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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DAVID C. MEARNS, Director

February 7, 1947

Dear Mr. Markle:

We have carefully examined our file of the weekly Wabash Express from April to December, 1851, but we have failed to find that J. B. Soule originated "Go West, young man." The other leads pursued all came to naught, and our only suggestion is that you enlist the help of the Indiana State Library at Indianapolis which has a file of the daily Wabash Express for August-October, 1851. If you succeed in identifying the source of the quotation, I certainly hope you will let me know.

I am glad to furnish you the sketch of Soule requested in your letter of December 16, 1946. The passage appears on p. 15-16 of The Soule Family, of North Yarmouth and Freeport, Maine (Yarmouth, Maine, 1882) by Dr. Charles E. Banks and Enos Chandler Soule, and it has been copied for your convenience on a separate sheet which I enclose.

Faithfully yours,

David C. Mearns
Director

Enclosure

Mr. A. R. Markle
Box 506
Terre Haute, Indiana

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VIGO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

Sept. 8, 1947

Mr. A. R. Markle,
Terre Haute, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Recently I wrote to the Illinois State Historical Library asking for information on Illinois"Soule" families and the names of any who had done research in the library on this family, since some libraries keep a registration book containing such information. They informed me that yours was the only inquiry they had on the "Soule" family, and sent me a copy of their reference on John Babson Lane Soule.

I am writing to inquire if you might be able to help, or give me any clues which might help, me with my problem.

My husband's grandmother, Marilla Soule,(Sowl), was born in Geauga Co., Ohio in 1827. Her family removed to Lafayette Co., Wis., where she married first Robert Threadgold, second James Sardeson. Her parents were Elijah and Lucinda S. Soule (Sowl). Elijah was born in 1787 and the 1850 Wisconsin Census states he was born in Connecticut. We presume that between 1787 his birthdate, and 1820 when we find him in Ohio, that his family removed from Connecticut either to Maine or NewYork, due to the fact that settling in Wisconsin at about the same time he did (by 1842) there were other Soule families :- an Elijah, son of Besor Soule, from Illinois, born in Maine, was one of them. There was also a John Soule, born in or from New York, and an Abigail born in New York and her family. What their relationship with our Elijah b. 1787 might have been we have no idea. Also it is presumed that some, if not all of our Elijah's family stopped off in Illinois between 1837 when they left Ohio, and 1842 when we find him buying land in Wisconsin, due to the fact that some children in the Soule families of Wisconsin were born in Illinois during those years. What part of Illinois we do not as yet know.

Our Elijah, b. 1787, and his wife Lucinda S. had the following children, all born in Ohio:- William, John, Lyman, Joseph, Caroline and Marilla. All were married in Ohio with the exception of the two youngest, Joseph and Marilla.

Do you have any "Soule" data which would help me in locating the parents of Elijah, b. 1787, in Connecticut,

or any suggestions for research, or whom I might write to?

Do you know of "Soule" families in other parts of Illinois from the years 1830 to 1850?

I would appreciate hearing from you and am enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your convenience in replying. Thank you for any assistance you may be able to give me.

Yours very truly,

Mary G. Sardeson.

(Mrs. C. B. Sardeson)
811 Chestnut St.,
Columbus, Indiana.

Oklahoma City Okla.
Nov. 26 - 1952

Mr. A. R. Markle
Terre Haute, Ind.
Dear Mr. Markle:

I am a daughter of Mrs. Kate Stevens who through a period of years has at times written to you regarding her Soules' History. My Mother is now 89, in very good health except her eyesight which is failing - So I am writing this letter for her.

A number of years ago you secured a copy of the Will of William Soules, Terre Haute who died in 1820 also copy of another transaction regarding a transfer of land which prove that Henry Soules was the Son of William Soules - This fact my grand mother (Mary Soules Fletcher) always knew, and so did my Mother - That Henry Souls was the Son of William Soules and was the Father of Mary Souls My mothers Mother -

Now after all of these years of tracing their history back beyond

William to the Mayflower it seems there is one proof we lack - and it is - That Mary Soules (my Mothers Mother) was the daughter of Henry Soules!! This all seems ridiculous but since my Mothers Grandfather Henry died before my Mother ever saw him (in fact he died when my Mothers Mother was only 9 years old) then they will not accept her word that her Grandfather was Henry Soules!! They must have proof to show he was her grandfather. In the past Mama had Henry Soules Bible with his name and children in it, but it has long since been lost.

Now it seems that if we can get a copy of Henry Soules will mentioning his daughter Mary or any other information proving it then we are at last through with all names dates ect and ready to file papers. My Mother says her Mother told her that Henry, her father left a will and

that she was mentioned in it. He died in 1848 or thereabouts - Think it was actually 1848 and Mary was 9 years old having been born in 1839 -

We never figured on having trouble with the family History covering the last 150 years!! which all knew to be facts but now comes this one thing to disrupt Mamas plans - She now has to prove who her grandfather was!!

Mama thought since you were familiar with the Sonic History that you might take the trouble to look through the records there and see if you can find this mix or anything else. She appreciates very much the help you have given her in the past and wishes of course to pay you for your time and trouble in looking into this matter for her. My Mother thinks you are now retired so shall send without any address and hope you receive it

My Mother sends you her best regards in which I join

Mrs. Kate Stevens (205 - N.W. 20th)
by
Louise Stevens Franklin

GEN.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
July 14, 1953

Mr. A.R. Markle,
P.O. Box 506,
Terre Haute, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Markle:

You have not answered my letter of November 26th. and I am still desirous of having the requested information. Also could you please give me the address of young Mr. Fidler?

I shall appreciate any information you can secure for me.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Kate Stevens

Mrs. Kate Stevens,
205 N.W. 20th. St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

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Romans

Arnold, Nebraska
June 15, 1963

Emeline Fairbanks Memorial Library
220 North 7th Street
Terre Haute, Indiana

Dear Sir:

With your great store of historical information, would it be possible for you to give some information about the Soule, Franklin and Burdick families. My husband is descended from these families and we are searching to complete their history. Jared Luther Burdick died in Fremont, Steuben Co., Indiana in 1890. His father, Lurancy Franklin Burdick is buried in Jamestown Cem., Hoosier Hill, Steuben Co. Indiana. His wife was Sarah Ann Soule. An answer to the following questions would greatly help me in this matter:

1. Do you have any compiled family histories in your library that bear upon the Burdick, Franklin or Soule families?

2. Can you supply me with the names and addresses of others who may be interested in exchanging information concerning the early Franklins, Burdick or Soules?

I will greatly appreciate your help and advice in furthering my search for information of these families. If there is any charge for this information, please let me know.

Yours truly,

Kathryn Bates Romans

Kathryn Bates Romans
(Mrs. Clarence O. Romans)

Emeline Fairbanks Mem. Library

To:
Mrs. Clarence O. Romans (Kathryn Bates)
Box 303
Arnold, Nebraska.

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June 18, 1963

Dear Mrs. Romans:

We have no printed genealogy of either the Burdick, Soule, or Franklin family. However, the library has a few typed pages on the Soule family which traces the ancestry back to Mayflower days. This is material which one of our patrons has copied and given to us many years ago. I looked up her name in the telephone book, but was unable to find it listed at this date, so assume she is no longer here.

There are several references in Bradsby's History of Vigo County, and Oakey's Greater Terre Haute and Vigo Co. to various members of the Soule (s) family, the ancestor of whom came to Terre Haute in the early 1800's, perhaps 1816. I believe this was William Soules, whose wife was Almira Baker. He was a Revolutionary Soldier, who came from New York.

There are references to the Burdick family in the Americana Magazine, Vol 23, p477-479; and in the American Monthly Magagine Vol 22, pages 119-120. Neither of these magazines is being published at this time, but you may be able to find them in libraries which specialize in Americana or genealogy.

I telephoned Miss Gertrude Soules, who has taught in the city schools here for many years, knowing that her family were connected with the ones mentioned in our early histories of the county, and she was most interested to hear of your inquiry. She lives at 24 South 20th St., and I believe is planning to write you. Perhaps she may be able to help you work out the family tree. I am enclosing a form letter we send in response to genealogical enquiries, which has the names and addresses of three local women who do that sort of work, and if you need some of the things we have in the library copied, perhaps one of them might be able to help you.

I hope that the above information will be a help to you.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth C. Ross, Ref. Ln.

June 25, 1964

Colonel John Soule
1709 Thirty-fourth St., N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20007

Dear Sir:

We have checked our directories, county histories, and other records, but have been able to find no information on Johnathan F. Soule except an obituary in the Terre Haute Daily Express Sunday, April 2, 1881. This confirms some of your information about him, but I am sorry to say, gives nothing about his wife or children. I wonder whether if you write to the Indiana State Library in Indianapolis, and ask them to look in the census records of Vigo County for 1870 or 1880 if they wouldn't find a listing of the members of his family. I believe the Fruit Ridge farm should have been in Harrison Township at that time. The State Library has quite a large genealogical collection. The address is Indianapolis 4, Ind.

I hope that the delay in answering your letter has not been an inconvenience, and that the information enclosed will be helpful.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth C. Ross
Reference Librarian

enclosed copy of obit which is in fam file

COLONEL JOHN SOULE
1709 THIRTY-FOURTH STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20007

17 May 1964

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Fairbanks Memorial Library,
Terra Haute, Indiana.

Gentlemen:

I am greatly interested in establishing the parentage and children of JONATHAN F. SOULE who died in your city on 1 April 1881. Unfortunately, Vigo County death records do not begin until the following year - 1882 so they don't have anything there. The thought has occurred to me that you may have newspaper files containing an obituary or some other source material not available to me.

From family records and his pension file here in the National Archives we have reason to assume that he was born about 1826 in Erie County, New York, moving as a young man to Michigan and thence to Ohio. Certainly, he was married in Lorain County, Ohio, 5 June 1861 to LUCY SALLIES, then served in several Ohio Volunteer Infantry Regiments during the CIVIL WAR (discharged 17 June 1865 as a 2nd Lieutenant) and removed to Terra Haute in 1866. Although born a Quaker, he was ordained pastor of the Congregational Church at South Vigo, Indiana. I haven't located this place but assume that it may have been a suburb of Terra Haute, possibly since incorporated into your city. Family tradition alleged that he graduated from the University of Michigan but the registrar at Ann Arbor insists that there is no record that he was ever a student at that institution.

We do know that after he died in Terra Haute, his wife removed to Ohio and then to Stowe, Vermont, her birthplace. She remarried 17 August 1884 to one Ormond W. Johnson - and that stopped her pension. We also know that he wasn't related to the SOULES family of Vigo County and Terra Haute.

I would be extremely grateful for any information that you may be able to give me from your files. A return envelope is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

Yours very truly,

JOHN SOULE
Colonel USA Retired

not in city dir 1877-1881, 79

The Evening Gazette
4-1, 1881

Page 1.
" at 10 o'clock this (Friday) morning,
J. F. Soule, in the 55th yr of his age.
Funeral service will be held at
Sugar Grove School House at 11 o'clock
Tomorrow. Remains buried at
Woodlawn"

C 8554 Woodlawn Cemetery
Plot described at time of death - 375 Rule
Fruit Ridge Nursery
TH daily Express Apr 1, 1881 p 3

June 30, 1965

Colonel John Soule
1709 34th St., N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20007

Dear Sir:

We have searched, but have been unable to find obituaries of Jemima Butler Soules or Charles William Soules, as you requested. I am enclosing a copy of the simple announcement of the death of Charles William Soules, and the "memorial notice" at the death of Almira Baker Soules. Neither mentions the names of survivors, which I imagine you are wanting.

I am sorry that these were the only ones we were able to find, but hope that you may find them elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth C. Ross
Reference Librarian.

I shall ask a member of our staff who is a notary public to certify the copies.

Soules Family
Emeline Fairbanks Mem. Library PAMPHLET FILE

COLONEL JOHN SOULE
1709 THIRTY-FOURTH STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20007

26 June 1965

Mr. Stillman K. Taylor, Librarian,
Emeline Fairbanks Memorial Library,
222 North Seventh Street,
Terra Haute, Indiana 47807

ATTENTION: Elizabeth C. Ross,
Reference Librarian.

Dear Sir:

While I don't know how far back your newspaper files are available, and I fear that your records may not help, I'd certainly like to have a certified or photocopy of the obituaries of the following if such a thing is possible:

(1) JEMIMA BUTLER SOULES who died in Vigo County on 3 Oct 1833, perhaps in Terra Haute but more likely in Harrison Township.

(2) CHARLES WILLIAM SOULES, son of above Jemima Butler Soules, who also died in Vigo County on or about 10 Oct 1857.

(3) ALMIRA BAKER SOULES, widow of above Charles Williams Soules, who is also reported to have died in Vigo County on 9 Nov 1882.

As suggested in your letter about a year ago, I'm in touch with the State Library in Indianapolis so there's no need of taking too much time to develop information on these queries if you do not have the "obits".

Yours very truly,

JOHN SOULE
Colonel USA Retired

cc: Miss Gertrude F. Soules,
24 South 20th Street,
Terra Haute, Indiana.

Soules Family

VIGO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Joe B. Cox Jr.
800 Franklin Drive
San Marcos TX 78666

March 10, 1992

I am enclosing three copies of each of the following items:

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4. Probate of William Souls from Complete Probate Order Book 1.

The complete probate order book was recorded after the estate was settled. All the records relating to the estate were copied into it. Therefore it seems to be more thorough than the regular probate order book. Wills, inventories, sales, etc. were copied into it.

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Thanks for the $5.00. The total cost of copies and postage came to $9.04. Please send the library $4.04 for the extra copies and postage.

Nancy Sherrill

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Genealogy Librarian

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1 Library Square
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Gentlemen:

complete probate

Please forward three copies each of the will and probate record of William (or Bildad) Souls (Sr.) who died at Vigo County, Indiana, on or before 9 September 1820 (Will Record A:13, Probate Estate opened 8/21/1821 and closed 12/1931). Also provide three copies of the marriage license of Nelson (Nelon) Souls and Rebecca Sherman April 5, 1827. In addition, please provide three copies of a death certificate for Jemima Souls, who died in Vigo County on or before 3 October 1832. none

I am enclosing my check for $5.00 to cover the cost of these copies. If more is required, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Joe B. Cox, Jr.
Joe B. Cox, Jr.

Record of Wills of the County of Vigo, State of Indiana,
- Will Record A, Vigo County
- Complete Probate Order vol 1, Sept 1829 - Nov 1836, Vigo County

31

42

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XII, 19, 32, 38, 48, 51

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24 Aug 1821 - will admitted to proof
11 June 1821 - witnesses to will
Oct. Term 1821 - inventory
Sept Term 1823 - rendered acct of claims
Dec Term 1828 - expenses paid out
July Term 1830 - acct of insolvent claims
Dec Term 1831
April 1832 -

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From: Nancy Sherrill
To: CHERRILUS@aol.com
Date: 2/11/04 3:57PM
Subject: Re: WWW Question

Hello,

Your query was forwarded to me. Many of the Vigo County courthouse records have been microfilmed by the LDS Church, and we have copies of the microfilm. I checked will books numbers six and seven, covering the dates December 1905 to December 1914, but did not find a will for Warren Soules. I also checked the probate order books, starting with Book 41, covering March 1906 to Feb. 1907. The Warren Soules estate was mentioned on pages 23, 31, 33, 34, and 42. Book 42 contains references on pages 30, 515, 516, 560, 561, 595, and 597. Probate Order Book No. 43, February 1903 to January 1909, mentions the Warren Soules estate on pages 10, 29, 102, 103, 153, 421, and 422. The children of Charles A. and Mary Soules are mentioned on page 35, and there are references to the estate of Origin B. Soules, who died during that time.

The Warren Soules estate appears to have been very complicated and to have dragged on for a long time. At first there was a court battle over who was to be appointed administrator. Origin B. Soules was originally appointed, and Oscar L. Soules objected. There were several court hearings with each man claiming to be the true next of kin. Finally William Soules and Oscar L. Soules were appointed co-administrators. Then Oscar L. died, and William was appointed guardian of his minor children. Next a Callie B. Fraza appeared and presented documentation that several of the heirs had signed over or sold their interest in the estate to her. More and more heirs contacted the court until they were discussing 1/56th shares of the estate. I am not sure I ever did find the final settlement of the estate, but I checked the probate order books from 44 through 50 without finding any more references to Warren Soules.

The WPA index to Vigo County death records from 1882 through 1920 lists the following death certificates:

Warren C. Soules--77--11 April 1906--Lost Creek Twp.--Bk. H-40, p. 34
Sarah C. Soules--72--25 July 1903--Terre Haute--Bk. H-39, p. 15

Other Soules listed in the death record index were: Anna, Francis A., Isabella, Mary, Moses E., Oregen B., and Origin (infant). The death certificates are available for $4.00 each from the Vigo County Health Dept., Vital Statistics, 171 Oak St., Terre Haute IN 47807.

We have an online index to obituaries in the Terre Haute newspapers available on our website at www.vigo.lib.in.us. I found the obituary of Warren C. Soules in the 12 April 1906 Tribune and that of Mrs. Warren Soules in the 25 July 1903 Tribune. Copies of obituaries are $1.00 each. All other copies are 15 cents per page, plus postage. If you wanted copies of the Warren and Sarah Soules obituaries, plus the pages from the probate order books, the charge would probably be $7.00. Payment may be made by check or money order made out to the Vigo County Public Library and sent to my attention at Vigo County Public Library, One Library Square, Terre Haute IN 47807.

Nancy Sherrill
Genealogy Librarian

Soules, Warren C. - 12 April 1906
p2 Trib

Soules, Mrs. Warren - 25 July 1903
p2 Gazette

From: <CHERRILUS@aol.com>
To: <questions@vigo.lib.in.us>
Date: 2/10/04 1:41AM
Subject: WWW Question

Dear Librarian:

I am trying to find a will of Warren Soules who died April 11, 1906. His wife was Sarah McFadden. He was my great grandfather's brother. When I pulled probate records on my great grandparents they received money from Warren's estate in Indiana and it was dispersed to the children of Warren's brother Oscar. This Oscar and his wife Ellen left Indiana and settled in Nebraska and are my great grandparents. I am trying to prove legibility to the Mayflower society. Would there have also been a death certificate? Any help you could give me would be greatly appreciated.

Cherri Soules Lusk

Warren C. Soules - age 77 - 11 April 1906 - Lost Creek Twp
H-46 p34

Sarah C. Soules - 72 - 25 July 1903 - Terre Haute - H-39
p15

Will Book 6, Dec 1905 - aug 1910 - No Soules

Will Record No 7, aug 1910 - Dec 1914 - No Soules

Probate Order Book No 41, Mar 1906 - Feb 1907 - Warren Soules p 23, 31, 33, 34, 42 - Wm Soules + Oscar L. co-adm

Origen B. Soules appt + Oscar L. objected - claimed not next of kin

Probate Order Book No 42 - p 30, 515, 516, 560, 595-597 Wm Soules appt guardian heirs Oscar Callie B. Fraya owner 2452

Probate Order Book No 43, Feb 1903 - Jan 1909 - Soules, Warren C. 156
p10, 29, 102, 103, 153, 421 + 422
Charles A + Mary - 35 - children of

Probate Order Book 44 - 0

Probate Order Book 45, Nov 1904 - Nov 1910 - 0

Probate Order Book No 46 - 0

Probate Order Book No. 47 - 0

Probate Order Book No 48, Nov 1912 - Nov 1913 - 0

Probate Order Book No 49 - 0

Probate Order Book No 50 - 0